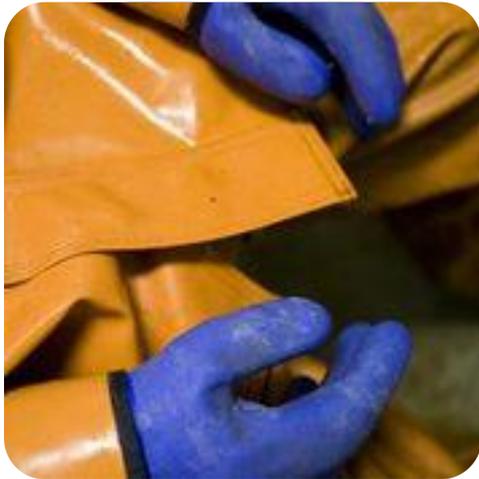


2014 Economic Development Directory

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Greetings from the Portland Community Chamber of Commerce!

The goal of our Chamber of Commerce is to support the business community and to increase the number of jobs and businesses in Portland and our region.

This Economic Development Directory was created to assist entrepreneurs, business developers and our chamber members with the myriad of economic development efforts that are occurring in the Greater Portland region. We have found that the economic development organizations are often referred to by their acronyms, so we have included those as well.

The Directory includes private sector, public sector, and educational resources at the primary, secondary and post-secondary levels, as well as specific organizations focused on workforce development, tourism, and community programs.

It is our hope that The Economic Development Directory will assist you in choosing the best partners to work with as you strive to grow jobs and businesses in Portland and the surrounding region. This directory will be updated from time to time, so please let us know if there are revisions or additions by e-mailing Abbie McGilvery, Director of Communications at the Portland Regional Chamber of Commerce office (amcgilvery@portlandregion.com).

The Directory is available both in a downloadable online format as well as in hard copy format available through the Portland Regional Chamber of Commerce (www.portlandregion.com).

Thanks once again for your economic development efforts here in Portland! A thriving and vibrant business community is the backbone of a thriving community, and we greatly appreciate your efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill Becker". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Bill Becker
President, Portland Community Chamber of Commerce

Education Partners

Greater Portland Alliance of Colleges and Universities (GPACU)

207.893.7711 P.O. Box 897 Portland, ME 04104-0897

Established in 1993, GPACU is a non-profit consortium of six Southern Maine institutions of higher education: Kaplan University (formerly Andover College), Maine College of Art, Saint Joseph's College, Southern Maine Community College, the University of New England, and the University of Southern Maine.

Though very different in size and mission, these six schools have embraced the Alliance as a means to enrich learning opportunities for students and faculty, expand intercollegiate cooperation, and enhance the cultural and educational quality of life in Southern Maine. Through important programs such as cross-registration, shared library borrowing, student health services, and faculty grants, GPACU benefits students, staff, and teachers, and improves the effectiveness and efficiency of its participating schools. Nonprofit with funding from the state

Board: <http://www.gpacu.org>

Institute for Broadening Participation (IBP)

P.O. Box 607 Damariscotta, ME 04543 1-866-593-9103 207-563-5929
contactus@ibparticipation.org

The mission of the Institute for Broadening Participation is to increase diversity in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) workforce. We design and implement strategies to increase access to STEM education, funding, and careers, with special emphasis on diverse underrepresented groups. We believe that diversifying the STEM workforce is the best way to ensure our nation's economic vitality and solve global challenges. Funding by National Science Foundation as well as National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

- **Maine STEM-Maine Pathways to STEM**

Maine Pathways is committed to supporting students as they make their way through their education and careers in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) fields. Our focus is on making education and careers in the sciences more accessible for Maine students. We foster an on-going exchange of ideas and resources for Maine students, parents, educators, businesses and policy makers. Funding by both The National Science Foundation and The Davis Foundations.

Board: http://www.ibparticipation.org/Staff.asp#IBP_Board

*Involved in programs in the Greater Portland area.

Maine Community College System (MCCS)

323 State St. Augusta, Maine 04330 ph. 207-629-4000 fax 207-629-4048

The Maine Community College System is Maine's comprehensive two-year public college system—dedicated to offering an affordable and accessible college education, and building a quality workforce for Maine. State, private and publically funded.

Board Members: <http://www.mccs.me.edu/about/membership.html>

- **Maine Quality Centers (MQC)**

6 Fundy Road, Suite 300 Falmouth, ME 04105-1705 (207) 699-4902

Executive Director: James McGowan
Center for Career Development
jmcgowan@mccs.me.edu

The Maine Quality Centers' mission is to encourage businesses to locate or expand operations in Maine by providing customized workforce training at no cost to the business or to trainees. Our education and training programs are coordinated and delivered through Maine's seven community colleges. State funded.

Maine International Trade Center (MITC)

207.541.7400 511 Congress Street Suite 100 Portland, Maine 04101

Janine Bisailon-Cary, President and State Director

With over 1,200 international students in Maine's colleges and universities, and an estimated 500 more studying at high schools and academies, educational serviced are an important and expanding segment of the state's export mix. Maine International Trade Center (MITC) began a focus on recruiting foreign students in 2008, and officially launched the StudyMaine consortium in 2010 with the purpose of promoting the state as a place to live, study, and work. Funded both publically and privately as well as through the state's Department of Economic & Community Development.

Board: <http://www.mitc.com/about/directors.asp>

Education

Educate Maine

15 Monument Square Portland, Maine 207.347.8638

Educate Maine is to champion college and career readiness and increased education attainment. Education is the catalyst and foundation for individual success, engaged citizenship, and sustainable economic growth. All Maine people should have equal access to high quality educational opportunities. The business community has a responsibility to support the education of its current and future workers. Full funding list: <http://www.educatemaine.org/about-us/board>

- **Project Login**

15 Monument Square, Suite #4 Portland, ME 04101 207.347.8638

Project>Login is all about computers at work. Maine companies are eagerly seeking computer-smart college grads to program software, develop new technologies and write applications. Project>Login was created by businesses that want to help you get engaged, get educated and get employed. This entire website is here to keep you updated about your options in computers and technology, from education to internships to jobs. Funding by Bangor Savings Bank, Eastern Maine Medical Center, Idexx, MaineHealth, Maine Medical Center, Pierce Atwood, TD Bank, the University of Maine System, Unum and WEX. More than 50 businesses, schools and organizations are also providing volunteers to the initiative.

Board: <http://www.educatemaine.org/about-us/board>

Maine Adult Education System

<http://www.maine.gov/education/aded/dev/mainestars.html>

Rob Wood, director of Portland Adult Ed woodr@portlandschools.org

The Maine Adult Education Association is a professional organization that advocates for adult education locally, statewide, and nationally and supports its members in order to meet the educational needs of Maine's adults. Advocacy for continuing educational opportunities for Maine adults in the 21st century. Promotion of and encouragement for professional development. Funds for adult education in Maine come from state subsidies, local tax dollars, federal funding for literacy and some vocational programs, and tuition and fees paid by individuals, businesses and agencies for community.

Board: http://www.maineadulted.org/maea_board

Maine Department of Education

23 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333 Voice: (207) 624-6600 Fax: (207) 624-6700

Commissioner Bowen and the Leadership Team at the Maine Department of Education are working to build an agency that supports educators across the state in their mission to help all students reach their potential and leave school prepared for the rigors of college, careers and civic life. To accomplish that, the Department of Education is working toward an education system that engages and challenges every student, is customized to each student's individual needs, and harnesses the power of technology to enhance and individualize learning. State and federally funded.

Strategic Plan: <http://www.maine.gov/doe/plan/index.html>

State Board Members: <http://www.maine.gov/sbe/members/index.html>

STEM Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics

Maine Bioscience

215 Main Street Suite 101 Biddeford, ME 04005 Phone: (207) 482-0590
Fax: (207) 699-1380 email: info@mainebioscience.org

Mainebioscience.org is the official website of Maine Bioscience which is an umbrella organization of Maine's biotechnology community. For a full list of member companies:
http://www.mainebioscience.org/join_bam/member_companies/

- **Bioscience Association of Maine (BAM)**

Maine's biotechnology community includes the Bioscience Association of Maine Maine's biotechnology trade organization as well as the Maine Bioscience Collaborative (an educational nonprofit organization that fosters interactions between members of Maine's biotechnology sector).

Board: http://www.mainebioscience.org/about/board_members/

- **ME Bioscience Collaborative (MeBC)**

The Maine Bioscience Collaborative (MeBC) is a non-profit corporation established to catalyze the growth of Maine's bioscience sector by promoting the interaction of scientific excellence, educational activities and innovation. Funded through both state and federal resources.

Directors: http://www.mainebioscience.org/about/mebioscience_collaborative/

Maine Mathematics and Science Alliance

PO Box 5359 | 219 Capitol Street, Suite 3 | Augusta, ME 04332
voice: 207.626.3230 | fax: 207.287.5885

The mission of the Maine Mathematics and Science Alliance is to increase aspirations and improve performance in K-16 science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education in the state of Maine and nationally. The MMSA is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Independently funded through grants and contracts.

Board: <http://mmsa.org/about-us/board-of-directors/>

Maine STEM Collaborative

P.O. Box 5359, Augusta, ME 04332 (207)-626-3230 x115

Maine Pathways is committed to supporting students as they make their way through their education and careers in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) fields. Our focus is on making education and careers in the sciences more accessible for Maine students. We foster an on-going exchange of ideas and resources for Maine students, parents, educators, businesses and policy makers. Funding provided by The National Science Foundation, National Aeronautics and Space Administration as well as private endowment funds.

Directory: <http://www.mainestem.org/MEPartners.asp?sort=region&subsort=Southern>

Maine Technology Institute (MTI)

8 Venture Avenue, Brunswick Landing Brunswick, Maine 04011 Ph: 207.582.4790 Fax:
207.582.4772

The Maine Technology Institute (MTI) is an industry-led, publicly funded, nonprofit corporation that offers early-stage capital and commercialization assistance in the form of competitive grants, loans and equity investment for the research, development and application of technologies that create new products, processes and services, generating high-quality jobs across Maine. For a full list of partners: <http://www.mainetechnology.org/connect/partnerships>. Both privately and publically funded.

Board: <http://www.mainetechnology.org/about/board-of-directors>

- **Blackstone Accelerates Growth**

engage@blackstonegrowth.com 207-582-4790

Blackstone Accelerates Growth is about creating jobs and economic development in Maine through entrepreneurship and growth. We are working with partners to create regional Innovation Hubs – places where there are a coordinated, focused set of activities entrepreneurs and innovators. Blackstone Accelerates Growth is part of the Blackstone that can be a catalyst for job creation. Funding from grants by the Blackstone Charitable Foundation as well as public funds.

Tech Maine

<http://www.techmaine.com/about-us>

Executive Director: Joe Kumiszczka

Since 1992, TechMaine has had a transformative history. Founded as the Maine Software Developers Association (MESDA) it has grown to serve as a leading resource for Maine technology-reliant companies. TechMaine has now transformed from a 20th century membership dues-based organization to an open community. Funded by membership dues.

E2 Tech Council of Maine

PO Box 8517 Portland, ME 04104 Email: info@e2tech.org

E2Tech is a member-based organization comprised of businesses and organizations that seek to build Maine's environmental and energy technology economy and include renewable power companies, environmental engineers, emerging entrepreneurs, innovators and designers, as well as government agencies, educational institutions, and non-profit organizations and businesses that see the economic promise of clean tech for Maine. Funded by membership dues.

Board: <http://www.e2tech.org/about/board>

Growth of Community

Avesta Housing

307 Cumberland Avenue Portland, Maine 04101 207-553-7777 1-800-339-6516

Today, Avesta Housing is one of the largest nonprofit developers of affordable housing in New England. Avesta receives consistently high marks from its many state, federal and private-sector partners, and is recognized nationally for groundbreaking work in bringing together nonprofit, for-profit, private and public-sector organizations for the benefit of Maine communities. Funded by donations as well as federal stimulus packages and state bonds.

Board: <http://www.avestahousing.org/about-us/board-of-directors>

Catholic Charities Maine Refugee and Immigration Services

307 Congress St, Portland, ME 04101 (207) 781-8550

Throughout the state, although concentrated in Portland, RIS is contracted to provide primary refugees with initial resettlement (30-90 days post U.S. arrival) and limited ongoing case management services (up to 60 months from U.S. arrival).

In Portland, RIS is contracted to provide limited case management (up to 60 months from U.S. arrival) services to secondary migrants who have been in the U.S. for less than 30 days. Those over 30 days are served by the City of Portland Refugee Services. Funded by state grants.

Portland Housing Authority (PHA)

14 Baxter Blvd Portland, ME 04101 (207) 773-4753

Joni Boissonneault Self Sufficiency Program Manager at Portland Housing Authority Public Housing Family Self Sufficiency program and ROSS Family & Homeownership program. Implemented and managed HUD's Community Service program. Collaborate with community partners to assist clients in education, job training, employment and homeownership. Develop and maintain database for each program. Funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Commissioners: <http://www.porthouse.org/aboutPHA/commissioners.html>

Employer Growth

Maine Center for Entrepreneurial Development (MCED)

30 Danforth St., Ste 204 Portland, ME 04101 P: 207-774-8111 F: 207-774-8112

The Maine Center for Entrepreneurial Development (MCED) is a private non-profit founded in 1997 that helps Maine's most promising entrepreneurs to grow through innovation.

Historically a traditional incubator that offered entrepreneurs space located on an academic campus, MCED is now a leading edge virtual resource for the most promising startups – those aspiring to be in the top 5% of all companies in their region - regardless of their Maine location. For a full list of sponsors and underwriters: <http://www.mced.biz/about-mced/>.

- **Top Gun Program**

Many high potential Maine entrepreneurs have benefitted from MCED's Top Gun program, which has evolved considerably since it was first offered in fall 2009. At its core, the Top Gun Track is designed to accelerate entrepreneurial development through a combination of training, mentoring and community. Funding through (MCRED) see full list of sponsors above.

Board: <http://www.mced.biz/about-mced/board-of-directors/>

Maine & Company

120 Exchange Street Portland, ME 04101 207.871.0234

Peter DelGreco, President & CEO pjdelgreco@maineco.org

Maine & Company provides free and confidential consulting services to businesses looking to relocate to Maine or expand within Maine. Our services include real estate site searches, data collection and analysis, incentives identification and valuation, site visit coordination, workforce analysis, and financing coordination. We are your one-stop shop for business relocation or expansion. Whether your business needs are driven by specific real estate requirements, labor force availability, incentive maximization, or any other criteria, Maine & Company can help you select the business location that best meets your needs.

Maine & Company is a private, non-profit corporation with members and a board comprised of senior executives from Maine's top businesses, the president of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce and the commissioner of Maine's Department of Economic & Community Development. Privately funded through the business community and sporadic state funding.

Board: <http://www.maineco.org/about-board.html>

Maine Real Estate & Development Association - (MEREDA)

2 Market Street, 5th Floor Portland, ME 04101

Phone: (207) 874-0801 Fax: (207) 874-0802

The Maine Real Estate & Development Association (MEREDA) is an organization whose mission is to promote an environment for responsible development and ownership of real estate throughout the State. MEREDA accomplishes its mission through legislative advocacy, regulatory oversight, sponsorship of programs and conferences, and by serving as a unified and proactive representative for real estate and economic development interests. Funded with private and public funds, as well as membership dues.

Member List: <http://www.mereda.org/memberlist.php>

Mobilize Maine – (MM)

68 Marginal Way Portland, Maine 207.774.5617

Mobilize Maine is an action-oriented initiative that invites strong private sector participation, uses innovative, technology driven tools and processes and focuses on capitalizing on a region's assets to deliver measurable results. Mobilize Maine is an advanced four-step systematic approach to economic development. It is unlike any other initiative before it, and has a proven track record in the regions of the state that have begun this work. Both state and federally funded.

Mark Ouellette, Executive Director mark@mobolizemaine.com

- **Realize Maine**

info@realizemaine.org

We are the premier organization in Maine for young workers and their families, and we are dedicated to creating positive change for this demographic at the local, regional and state levels. We are group of young people from York to Presque Isle that have banded together to: Attract and retain young professionals throughout Maine. Funded through the Maine Development Foundation as well as other philanthropic partnerships.

Steering Committee: <http://www.realizemaine.org/SteeringCommittee.aspx>

Opportunity Maine

Phone: 207-699-5880 237 Oxford Street, Suite 22, Portland, ME 04101

info@opportunitymaine.org

Opportunity Maine has become a leader in organizing grassroots initiatives that address Maine's educational, economic and energy challenges. Founded in 2006, Opportunity Maine promotes economic security and sustainable development with innovative investments in the education and skills of our workforce. Whether through universal expansions of educational opportunity such as the Opportunity Maine Program, or through tailored but comprehensive sector-based approaches such as our New Energy Jobs Initiative, we strive to make investments in human capital and strong communities a central focus of Maine's economic development strategy. Both state and federally funded.

Board: <http://www.opportunitymaine.org/about-us/board-of-directors/>

SCORE Maine

100 Middle Street, 2nd Fl. Portland, Maine 04101 207-772-1147

SCORE is a national nonprofit association dedicated to educating entrepreneurs and helping small businesses start, grow, and succeed nationwide. SCORE is a resource partner with the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), and has been mentoring small business owners for more than forty years. Entrepreneurs are the most important creators of jobs in the U.S. *And having a trusted mentor is the most important external success factor.* Our mentors have a wide range of skills and expertise. Our mentoring is confidential and free to you. SCORE is a partner with the Small Business Administration and is federally funded.

Officers: <http://portlandme.score.org/node/145973>

Startup Portland

Startupportland.com

Startup Portland is a community of entrepreneurs, investors, technologists and creative misfits who love building scalable companies in Portland, Maine. We are dedicated to strengthening Portland's startup community and connecting the city to other startup hub cities around the world. The purpose of this website is to uncover and communicate the critical mass of the city's startup ecosystem. Funded by private equity as well as with seed funding grants.

Financial

Coastal Enterprises, Inc. (CEI)

2 Portland Fish Pier, Portland, Maine, 04101 (207) 433-5908 www.ceimaine.org

Gerard Salvo, Human Resources Manager

CEI in 2012 is a Maine-based organization with strategic expansions outside of Maine, serving more rural communities directly or through alliances and having an ever greater impact on poverty, which is documented with data. The organization has a high financial sustainability ratio, thanks to new and expanded sources of funds through private giving, public funds, and income from funds and venture capital. CEI has a metric for looking at the balance of the 3 E's: economy, equity and environment—through all initiatives, and has a group in place measuring impact, scanning for opportunities, and developing policy. For a full list of participating partners: http://www.ceimaine.org/CCML_Partners. For a full list of funding: <http://www.ceimaine.org/Investing>.

Board: http://www.ceimaine.org/CEI_Board_List

Maine Angels Group

<http://www.maineangels.org> ContactMaineAngels@gmail.com.

The Maine Angels are accredited private equity investors who help entrepreneurs by investing in and mentoring early stage companies. Our goal is to make sound investments in promising New England entrepreneurs with an emphasis on Maine businesses. Funding by private independent investors.

Officers: <http://www.maineangels.org/about-us/officers/>

Maine Venture Fund (MVF) formerly-SEGF

P. O. Box 63 Newport, ME 04953 Tel: (207) 504-1999 <http://www.maineventurefund.com/>

The Maine Venture Fund formerly known as SEGF is a professionally managed venture capital fund that invests exclusively in Maine companies who demonstrate a potential for high growth and public benefit. The Fund has been actively investing in Maine companies since 1997, after its creation by an act of the Maine Legislature in 1995 to provide Maine companies and entrepreneurs access to patient sources of venture capital. The fund has received \$13 million in capital contributions from the State of Maine and operates as a revolving “evergreen” fund. For a full list companies:

<http://www.maineventurefund.com/portfolio/>. Venture capital funding exclusively in Maine.

<http://www.maineventurefund.com/about-mvf/board-of-directors/>

Government Municipal

Cumberland County Commissioners

Cumberland County Government 207.871.8380 142 Federal St. Portland, ME 04101

The five commissioners are the chief elected officials of the county. Their primary role involves the approval of the county budget. This process allows the commissioners to assess county operations for both efficiency and effectiveness.

The commissioners establish these priorities when they levy a county tax on the towns and cities, which are part of Cumberland County. The commissioners also provide representation on numerous boards and committees in furthering the goal of interagency cooperation. Funded both federally and by the state.

Commissioners: <http://www.cumberlandcounty.org/Executive/commissioners.htm>

Finance Authority of Maine (FAME)

5 Community Drive P.O. Box 949 Augusta, ME 04332-0949
3263 or 1-800-228-3734 FAX: (207) 623-0095

TEL: (207) 623-

The Finance Authority of Maine provides access to innovative financial solutions to help Maine citizens pursue business and higher education opportunities.

To meet the financing needs of Maine's business community, FAME offers a wide array of business assistance programs, ranging from traditional loan insurance programs for both small and larger businesses, to tax credits for investments that individuals make in dynamic, growth-oriented, manufacturing or export-related firms. FAME has also established taxable and tax-exempt bond financing programs that allow strong, creditworthy firms in Maine to access capital at very favorable rates and terms. Both state and federally funded.

Board: http://www.famemaine.com/Files/Pages/About_FAME.aspx

Maine Department of Economic & Community Development (DECD)

Burton Cross Building, 3rd Floor 111 Sewall St Augusta, ME 04330 Phone (207) 624-9800

Kristine Schuman
Governor's Account Executive
Dept. of Economic and Community Development
59 State House Station
111 Sewall Street, 3rd Floor
Augusta, ME 04330

Cellular: 207-592-0448
Email: kristine.schuman@maine.gov

At DECD, we are more than two dozen experts whose broad mission is to help communities and businesses prosper through a variety of programs providing everything from targeted tax relief to community block grants to tourism marketing. Whether your business wants to make a film here, bring a Maine-made product to market, expand an aquaculture project, or explore financing when moving a business to our state, our experienced staff can help.

DECD and its partners show companies how to benefit from millions of dollars in tax credits, reimbursements, R & D credits, capital loans, even direct investment. Every year, we help Maine communities attract jobs and grow their infrastructure with unique financing programs. Both state and federally funded.

Senior Staff: <http://www.maine.gov/decd/about/>

Maine Department of Labor (MDOL)

54 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333 207-623-7981 Commissioner: Jeanne Paquette

Helping employers recruit and train a talented workforce; Providing workers with the skills they need to be competitive in the economy; Assisting individuals when jobs are lost; Ensuring safe and fair workplaces for people on the job; and Researching and analyzing employment data to support job growth. Funded both state and federally.

- **Career Center**

185 Lancaster Street, Portland, ME 04101 (207) 771-5627 or 1-877-594-5627
Fax: (207) 822-0221
portland.careercenter@maine.gov
jobbank.careercenter@maine.gov

The Maine CareerCenter provides a variety of employment and training services at no charge for Maine workers and businesses. Whether you are looking to improve your job qualifications, explore a different profession, find a new career or hire an employee, the CareerCenter can help. Both state and federally funded.

Maine International Trade Center (MITC)

511 Congress Street Suite 100 Portland, Maine 207.541.7400 Fax: 207.541.7420

The Maine International Trade Center (MITC) is a public-private nonprofit funded through the state's Department of Economic & Community Development and the dues and sponsorships of its members. Our mission is to expand Maine's economy through increased international trade in goods and services and related activities. Funded through the state's Department of Economic & Community Development and the dues and sponsorships of its members.

Board: <http://www.mitc.com/about/directors.asp>

Maine State Workforce Investment Board (SWIB)

45 Commerce Drive, Augusta, ME 04330 (207) 621-5087

Contact: Garret Oswald (207) 621-5087

The State Workforce Investment Board is responsible for assisting the Governor in performing the duties and responsibilities required by the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998. All members of the Board are appointed by the Governor and represent the many facets of workforce development - business, labor, public education, higher education, economic development, youth activities, employment and training, as well as the Legislature. The Board meets on a regular basis and the public is encouraged to attend the meetings. Both state and federally funded.

Membership: <http://www.maine.gov/swib/membership/index.shtml>

Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority (MRRA)

2 Pegasus Street, Suite 1, Unit 200 Brunswick, ME 04011 Phone: 207-798-6512
Fax: 207-798-6510

The Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority (MRRA) is a public municipal corporation by State law (not a local unit of government) established by the Maine State Legislature to implement the Reuse Master Plans for both NASB and Topsham's Annex as they have been set forth by both the Brunswick Local Redevelopment Authority (BLRA) and the Topsham Local Redevelopment Authority (TLRA). MRRA is overseen by an 11-member board of trustees – appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the legislature. Both state and federally funded.

Board: <http://mrra.us/about/board-of-trustees/>

Education

Jobs For Maine Grads (JMG)

45 Commerce Drive, Suite 9 Augusta, Maine 04330 (207) 620-7180 phone (207) 620-7185 fax
centraloffice@jmg.org

President & CEO: Craig Larrabee

JMG's mission is to identify students who face barriers to education, and to guide each one on to a successful path toward continued education, a meaningful career, and productive adulthood. Jobs for Maine's Graduates (JMG) is a statewide nonprofit that works within Maine's public schools to help students reach their fullest potential. Private and state funding.

Board: <http://www.jmg.org/about-us/board-of-directors>

Junior Achievement of Maine (JA)

82 Elm Street Portland, ME 04101 Phone: (207) 347-4333

Junior Achievement is the world's largest organization dedicated to educating students in grades K-12 about entrepreneurship, work readiness and financial literacy through experiential, hands-on programs. Junior Achievement empowers young people to own their economic success. Funding is derived through fundraising events, corporate and individual donations and foundation grants.

Board: <http://jamaine.org/about-ja/greater-portland/>

Maine Youth Leadership (MYL)

PO Box 11483 Portland, ME 04104 Phone: 207- 221-3196 info@maineyouthleadership.org

Since 1980, Maine Youth Leadership (MYL) has worked with Maine youth to seek out, recognize and develop their leadership skills. Our goal is to motivate Maine's future leaders and create a network of civic-minded students who will better their communities through volunteering. Our programs encourage and assist students at critical times in their quest for self-identification and development and we provide give-and-take discussions with thought leaders and role models from across Maine society. Funded by donations, grants & sponsorships.

Board: <http://maineyouthleadership.org/board-of-directors/>

Municipal

City of Portland

389 Congress Street | Room 308 | Portland, Maine 04101 | 207-874-8683

- **Economic Development Department (EDD)**

Economic Developer City of Portland: Greg Mitchell

The Economic Development Department (EDD) is focused on cultivating a healthy and vibrant economic climate in the City of Portland. We strive to maintain and grow a diversified tax base that supports strong employment opportunities, while positioning Portland to compete in the global marketplace. Comprehensive assistance is available to businesses at every stage of development and growth, whether just starting up, expanding or relocating to the City. Our services are designed to streamline doing business in Portland and are free and confidential.

Vision and Plan:

<http://www.portlandmaine.gov/citymanagers/portlandeconomicdevelopmentplan.pdf>

- **Growing Portland**

<https://www.facebook.com/GrowingPortland> John Spritz, Manager

City initiative: The Growing Portland collaborative brings together key players in the region's innovation, education, and R&D communities. It promotes innovative businesses and jobs, greater workforce capacity, and a stronger entrepreneurial environment.

- **Portland ConnectED**

One Canal Plaza, Suite 800 Portland, ME 04101 voice (207) 518-6784 fax (207) 518-6788 Executive Director: Mike Dixon

Portland ConnectED with partners from the education, business, nonprofit, civic and philanthropic sectors, to promote early-childhood education, kindergarten through 12th-grade literacy, and post-secondary training. Portland Schools are working together. This broadest coalition will come together to accomplish specific goals that will elevate Portland schools to the next level. One goal of the partnership is to establish a multimillion-dollar endowment to help Portland high school graduates afford college. Funded both privately and publically as well as by partnerships.

- **Creative Portland Corporation (CPC)**

The Creative Portland Corporation (CPC), established November 2008, is a non-profit organization created to receive donations, grants and contributions in support of the City of Portland's economic development efforts, which enhance and create creative economy business and arts district development and employment opportunities.

Board: <http://www.portlandmaine.gov/creativeportlandcorp.htm>

Creative Portland

- **Live Work Portland**

P.O Box 4675 Portland, Maine 04112 207-370-4784

- **2 Degrees Portland**

2dP Coordinator: Sarah Delisle: sarah@2degreesportland.org

General Inquiries: creativeportland.com

Creative Portland is a nonprofit organization that leverages, grows and sustains Portland's creative industries, enterprises and workforce. As the City's official local arts agency, we also pay particular attention to supporting the artists and cultural institutions that are central to Portland's identity, economy and community.

In 2010, highlighting the critical need for a skilled workforce to sustain a prosperous economy, our founding president Andy Graham called on Portland to adopt this BHAG (Big Hairy Audacious Goal): Attract 10,000 creative-minded people in 10 years. Not 10,000 artists, but 10,000 people who value arts and culture. Funded by donations, grants and contributions.

Greater Portland Council of Governments – GPCOG

970 Baxter Boulevard, 2nd Floor Portland, ME 04103 Phone: 207-774-9891
1-800-649-1304 Fax: 207-774-7149 www.gpcog.org Contact: Caroline Paras

Founded in 1969, the Greater Portland Council of Governments (GPCOG) is a voluntary organization with a distinguished history of service to the municipalities and public service agencies of the Greater Portland (Maine) region. GPCOG programs and services are funded through a combination of member dues, service fees, and state and federal grants.

Board: http://www.pactsplan.org/documents/Executive.Com.2013_14.pdf

- **Southern Maine Economic Development District (SMEDD)**

970 Baxter Boulevard, 2nd Floor Portland, ME 04103 Phone: 207-774-9891

As the state's economic engine, Southern Maine is northern New England's premier destination for commerce and culture. GPCOG, in partnership with the Southern Maine Regional Planning Commission. Funded through a combination of member dues, service fees, and state and federal grants.

Contact: http://www.gpcog.org/Useful_Links/contact_us.php

- **Southern Maine Regional Planning Commission (SMRPC)**

info@smrpc.org

SMRPC has been conducting economic development, environmental, land use and transportation planning and providing technical assistance to the municipalities in the region for over 40 years. The purpose of SMRPC is to strengthen local municipal self-government while combining total resources for meeting regional challenges beyond individual capacities; to serve as a mutual forum to identify, study, and bring into focus regional challenges and opportunities; provide organizational support to enable communication and coordination among governments and agencies concerned with regional issues and opportunities. Funded through a combination of member dues, service fees, and state and federal grants.

Board: <http://www.smrpc.org/about/execboardpage.htm>

- **Sustain Southern Maine (SSM)**

Carol Morris, Morris Communications: cmorris@morriscomm.net or 207-329-6502

Sustain Southern Maine is a regional partnership of organizations, communities and businesses working together to make our economy, environment and sense of community stronger. Higher technology, an aging population and rising energy costs all make for changes in the way we live. As a partnership, we're working together to combine ideas and funding so these changes create more opportunities for everyone, now and for future generations of Mainers. Funding: Sustain Southern Maine is funded by a \$1.6 million three-year Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant through HUD, USDOT and EPA.

Executive Committee: <http://sustainsouthernmaine.org/about-us/committees/executive-committee/>

Greater Portland Economic Development Corp., (GPEDC)

443 Congress Street Portland, Maine 04101 207.772.2814

Tom Turner, Executive Director: tom@greaterportland.org

The Greater Portland Economic Development Corporation (GPEDC) links private, educational and public institutions in pursuit of sustainable economic prosperity on behalf of the communities of Cape Elizabeth, Falmouth, Portland, Scarborough, South Portland and Westbrook. GPEDC will develop a sustainable economy through increasing the retention and attraction of businesses, entrepreneurs and skilled workers. Additionally, GPEDC's purpose is to foster growth in industrial, manufacturing, fishing, agricultural, recreational, and other business enterprises within the greater Portland region, for either business retention or attraction. Funded through state and federal agencies.

Business Plan: <http://gpedc.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/GPEDC-Business-Plan.pdf>

Board: <http://gpedc.org/board-of-directors/>

Maine State Chamber of Commerce

125 Community Drive, Suite 101, Augusta, Maine 04330 (207) 623-4568

Chief Executive: Dana F. Connors, President

Known as The Voice of Maine Business, the Maine State Chamber is a not-for-profit organization supported through membership dues and contributions. As the state's most influential business advocate, the Maine State Chamber of Commerce works to ensure a business climate in which Maine State Chamber members, large and small, can compete successfully in the local, regional, national, and world marketplaces. Since 1889, the Maine State Chamber has been fighting to lower your cost of doing business. Through our Grassroots Action Network and OneVoice program, we work with a network of approximately 5,000 companies statewide that see the value in such a service and provide the vital support that keeps our access, advocacy, and assistance efforts going strong. Funded by membership dues and contributions.

Board: <http://www.mainechamber.org/mx/hm.asp?id=ourboard>

Portland Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

389 Congress Street Room 312 Portland, Maine 04101 207-874-8731

Amy Pulaski, Community Development Program Manager at City of Portland, Maine
avp@portlandmaine.org

The City of Portland, Maine is an Entitlement Community for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development. The purpose is to help low to moderate income persons. City departments, non-profits and businesses apply for CDBG funds for a variety of programs and projects from soup kitchens and teen programs, to infrastructure improvement, community centers, parks improvements and job creation. The goal of the CDBG program is to develop viable communities by promoting integrated approaches that provide decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities for low and moderate income persons.

The primary means towards this end is the development of partnerships among all levels of government and the private sector, including for-profit and non-profit organizations. Funded by Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Committee Members: <http://www.portlandmaine.gov/cdbgannualallocation.htm#members>

Portland's Downtown District (PDD)

549 Congress Street Portland, ME 04101 207-772-6828 info@portlandmaine.com

Brad McCurtain – President

Executive Director: Steve Hewins

Portland's Downtown District (PDD) was established in 1992 and is a not-for-profit 501c(4) organization. PDD acts as a leader and facilitator in the support and promotion of the economic vitality of downtown Portland and is funded by a tax assessment on properties within the boundaries of the District.

Brad McCurtain – President

15 Monument Square, Portland, ME 04101

brad@mainesec.com

775-0800

Board: <http://www.portlandmaine.com/about-pdd/board-of-directors/>

Portland Regional Chamber of Commerce

443 Congress St Portland, ME 04101 (207) 772-2811

Representing 1,400 member companies with over 64,000 employees, the Portland Regional Chamber is the largest business membership organization in Maine. Comprised of five Community Chambers and our young business professionals group, PROPEL, we offer networking, advocacy, valuable benefits and high visibility to our members, at an affordable price. Our members enjoy access to hundreds of networking opportunities and special events each year, exclusive cost savings on health care, mobile phone service, Apple products, and credit card processing, and their own lobbyists. Through our regional and statewide activities we help grow businesses and make the Portland and its surrounding region a vital economic hub. Funded primarily by membership dues.

Board: <http://www.portlandregion.com/content/board-directors>

- **Portland Community Chamber of Commerce**

The Portland Community Chamber of Commerce actively advocates for improvements within the City of Portland. This year we worked closely with the city and other organizations to create Portland's first official economic development plan. This important document has become the touchstone for the new mayor and the city council as it considers its efforts in this area. The PCC also works to make sure that this plan receives the active support of the community.

Board: <http://www.portlandregion.com/content/portland-community-chamber-board>

- **PROPEL**

443 Congress Street Portland, ME 04101 207 772-2811

PROPEL is an organization of young professionals seeking to establish themselves in the southern Maine business community by engaging in professional development, building relationships and connecting with each other. Through our networking events we bring together people like you – people who care about the local business community and the future of southern Maine. PROPEL began in 2006 as a collaborative effort between a small group of Portland's young professionals and the Portland Regional Chamber. The mission was to cultivate and foster the interests and careers of young professionals in Greater Portland. PROPEL, guided by its Board, is now an independently managed affiliate of the Portland Regional Chamber.

Nonprofit

Institute For Civic Leadership (ICL)

34A Exchange Street · PO Box 422 · Portland, ME 04112 | Tel: (207) 773-3254 | Fax: (207) 772-5954 |
icl@civicleadership.org

Suzanne S. Austin, Nonprofit Governance Consultant
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207-773-3254 (ext. 106)

The Institute for Civic Leadership develops, inspires, convenes and engages a network of diverse leaders and community members to foster collaboration and drive transformational change. Our programs and services connect people to the issues and reveal the power of their individual and collective roles in addressing community concerns. We cultivate the conversations and facilitate actions that positively impact Maine's communities. Funded by grants.

Board: <http://civicleadership.org/about-icl/>

John T. Gorman Foundation

One Canal Plaza, Suite 800 Portland, ME 04101 voice (207) 518-6784 fax (207) 518-6788

Tony Cipollone, President & CEO

The John T. Gorman Foundation advances ideas and opportunities that can improve the lives of disadvantaged people in Maine. To achieve the greatest impact, the Foundation has a special interest in strengthening families and helping communities provide them with the supports and opportunities they need to thrive. This focus on strengthening families reflects our founder, Tom Gorman's recognition that his personal success and achievement were largely derived from the support provided to him by his family and community, as well as his desire to provide those less fortunate with opportunities to succeed.

Board: <http://www.jtgfoundation.org/about-us/staff-board/>

Maine Association of Nonprofits (MANP)

207-871-1885 Fax 207- 780-0346 565 Congress Street, Suite 301 Portland, ME 04101
MANP@NonprofitMaine.org

The mission of the Maine Association of Nonprofits (MANP) is to strengthen the leadership, voice and organizational effectiveness of our state's nonprofits so that they can better enrich the quality of community and personal life in Maine. MANP is a member of the national network of state associations across the country. Funded by membership dues.

Board: <http://www.nonprofitmaine.org/about-us/our-board/>

United Way of Greater Portland

One Canal Plaza, Suite 300, P.O. Box 15200 Portland, ME 04112 207.874.1000

John Shoos jshoos@unitedwaygp.org
President & CEO: Suzanne McCormick

207.874.1000 x 2306 smccormick@unitedwaygp.org

United Way activates community resources for the greatest possible impact. Advancing the common good is about helping one person at a time, and about changing systems to help all of us. To create opportunities for a better life for all, we support programs and implement projects that focus on academic achievement, long-term financial stability, and improved health. Funded by donations, fundraising, federal grants and partnering agencies.

For a full list of partnering agencies: <http://www.unitedwaygp.org/community-partners/partner-agencies/>

Board: <http://unitedwaygp.org.s90769.gridserver.com/board-of-directors/>

Higher Education Institutions

Kaplan University

265 Western Ave South Portland, ME 04106 (207) 774-6126

Are you committed to achieving your educational and career goals? Kaplan University not only offers online programs, but campus-based, and blended programs in fields such as arts and sciences, business, criminal justice, education, health sciences, information systems and technology, legal studies, and nursing. Students can earn associate's, bachelor's, and master's degrees as well as certificates and diplomas.

Leadership Team: <http://www.kaplanuniversity.edu/about/leadership.aspx>

Maine College of Art (MECA)

522 Congress St, Portland, ME 04101 (207) 775-3052

Located in the heart of the Portland Arts District, Maine College of Art offers a Bachelor of Fine Arts, a Master of Fine Arts in Studio Arts, a Post-Baccalaureate in Art Education as well as Continuing Studies for adults and youths, including a Pre-College intensive for high school students. Funded publically and privately through tuition and donations and some grant funding.

Board of Trustees:

http://gabriellasturchio.com/wpcontent/uploads/2012/12/Spring_2012_Newslettter.pdf

Southern Maine Community College (SMCC)

2 Fort Rd South Portland, ME 04106 (207) 741-5500

- **Business and Community Partnerships (BCP)**

207-741-5951

The Business & Community Partnerships Division of Southern Maine Community College is dedicated to serving the economic development needs of Southern Maine by building strong business partnerships and resources for the community. Whether you are looking for customized training solutions for your employees, continuing studies classes to further your own professional development or need a seaside venue for your next conference or special event, we have the resources to help you!

- **Entrepreneurial Center**

207-741-5936

The Entrepreneurial Center at SMCC demonstrates the College's commitment to business in Maine. Approximately 90% of the Maine economy consists of small, locally owned businesses and over half of the student population of SMCC cites interest in business ownership as a future goal.

- **Foundation Board**

(207) 741-5559

Since being founded in 2000, the SMCC Foundation has been managed by our Board of Directors. These community leaders provide professional expertise in the management of the Foundation's assets and initiatives and foster broad community and business support. These private contributions ensure that the College is able to keep its pledge to increase academic excellence and expand business and industry services. The Foundation's finances are professionally audited annually and conservatively managed.

SMCC is funded by state subsidies and grants, tuition, federal funds and some private investments.

Board: <http://www.smccme.edu/business-a-community/alumni-a-foundation/the-smcc-foundation.html>

St. Joseph's College (SJC)

278 Whites Bridge Rd Standish, ME 04084 (207) 892-6766

Private, Catholic, primarily residential, coeducational liberal arts college founded in 1912 by the Sisters of Mercy. SJC welcomes students of all ages and all faiths. Accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Informed by the spirit of the Sisters of Mercy, we demonstrate our spirit of connectedness with one another through our expressions of hospitality, courtesy, inclusive relationships, shared values and collaboration. We extend this value of community by reaching out to neighbors and to members of the broader civic and ecclesial communities. Funded privately, donations and some grant funding.

Board: <http://www.sjcme.edu/about/board-trustees>

University of New England (UNE)

716 Stevens Avenue Portland, ME 04103 207-221-4622

The University of New England is ranked by U.S. News and World Report as one of the top tier regional universities in the Northeast. An institution whose academic rigor is matched by its compelling location on the coast of southern Maine, UNE offers more than 40 undergraduate majors and programs, ranging from medical biology to nursing to history to marine sciences. Funded privately as well as by national and state grants and philanthropic giving.

Board: <http://www.une.edu/president/trustees.cfm>

University of Southern Maine (USM)

PO Box 9300, Portland, ME 04104 1-800-800-4USM

- **College of Science, Technology and Health**

CSTH is a progressive unit of the University of Southern Maine that provides educational, research, and service opportunities relating to the application of science, technology, and health to the medical, industrial, educational, and business communities. If you have a desire to work in stimulating, highly-dynamic STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) and health profession fields, USM is *your* university.

- **Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center**

In 2008, The Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center was selected to become the seventeenth member of a national network of Development Partners in the National Education for Women (NEW) Leadership™ program, initiated in 1991 by the Center for American Women and Politics (CAWP) at Rutgers University. With its focus on helping to build leaders within Maine communities, University of Maine Cooperative Extension became a co-sponsor of NEW Leadership in 2008. UMaine Extension has supported UMaine's land-grant public education role for over 90 years by conducting community-driven, research-based programs in every Maine County.

- **Muskie School of Public Service**

The Muskie School of Public Service is Maine's distinguished public policy school, combining an extensive applied research and technical assistance portfolio with rigorous undergraduate and graduate degree programs in geography-anthropology, community planning and development, public health, and public policy and management.

- **School of Business Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE)**

SIFE is an international non-profit organization that works with leaders in business and higher education to mobilize university students to make a difference in their communities while developing the skills to become socially responsible business leaders. SIFE teams are active on more than 1,600 academic institutions in 39 countries. Joanne Hemond:joanne.hemond@maine.edu

USM and all its programs are funded publically, privately and by grants through The U.S. Department of Education. Board: <http://usm.maine.edu/foundation/usm-foundation-board-directors>

Tourism

Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB)

94 Commercial Street, Suite 300 Portland, Maine 04101 Ph: (207) 772-4994 Fax (207) 874-9043

Here, you'll find information about the Greater Portland CVB services, members, our mission, our staff and contact information for tourists and travel professionals. You'll also have access to a wealth of services including Tourism Marketing, Convention Services, International Market & Group Motorcoach Marketing, and Public Relations. Funded through memberships dues.

Board: <http://www.visitportland.com/board-of-directors.aspx>

Maine Grocers Association

PO Box 5234 Augusta, ME 04332-5234 Phone: 207-622-4461 Fax: 207-622-9732

Email: mainegrocers@mainegrocers.org

The Maine Grocers Association is the statewide organization representing the interests and concerns of Maine's grocery industry. The Association represents independent grocery stores, supermarkets, wholesalers, distributors and suppliers.

Mission: Government affairs, communication and education, and business to business networking through forums and events. Funded both publically and privately as well as from membership dues.

Board: http://mainegrocers.org/?page_id=14

Maine Innkeepers Association

304 US Route 1 Freeport, ME 04032 Phone: (207) 865-6100 Fax: info@maineinns.com

Our role as an association can be summed up in one simple sentence -- we help our members achieve prosperity and deliver a quality product to the consumer. We do that through four key areas: Communications and Information; Governmental Affairs; Marketing and Promotion and Education. By applying our efforts in each of these areas, we improve, promote and protect the welfare of the lodging industry in Maine. This member-oriented web site is one important tool to aid us in meeting our mission to members. Funded by membership dues.

Board: <http://www.maineinns.com/member/about.aspx>

Maine Restaurant Association

Augusta, ME 04330 207-623-2178 fax: 866-711-5408

info@mainerestaurant.com www.mainerestaurant.com

The Mission of the Maine Restaurant Association is to Represent, Promote and Educate the food service industry of Maine.

The Purpose of the Maine Restaurant Association is to: Promote the common business and professional interests of those engaged in the restaurant / prepared food service industry. Offer a range of member services. Represent the industry on a national, state, and local level. Raise the level of professionalism within the industry through education and promotion of foodservice as a career. Cooperate with other trade associations, industries and organizations that promote dining out and tourism. Foster and maintain mutually beneficial professional and personal relationships among all categories of members. Funded by membership dues.

Board: <http://www.mainerestaurant.com/displaycommon.cfm?an=1&subarticlenbr=154>

Workforce Development

Coastal Counties Workforce, Inc. (CCWI)

14 Maine St # 203A, Brunswick, ME 04011 (207) 725-5472

To meet the changing workplace needs of business and job seekers by creating economic opportunities through developing workforce skills in demand. CCWI supports the regional economy by advancing a range of workforce training services that meet current business needs. Plan, oversee, and evaluate local workforce development programs, including the CareerCenter Network and Workforce Solutions Centers. Funded by the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998. As well as WIA funds, CCWI receives funds through grants and contracts from the U.S. Department of Labor, the State of Maine, private foundations, business partners and individuals.

Directors: http://www.coastalcounties.org/about_us/index.php

Goodwill Workforce Solutions

353 Cumberland Avenue Portland, Maine 04101 207-774-6323 (V/TTY)

Regional Director: Richard Fifield

Goodwill Industries of Northern New England has a 80-year history of providing innovative services that eliminate barriers to opportunity and help people in need reach their fullest potential through the power of work. Last year, we served over 30,000 individuals through job training and placement, career counseling, youth employment opportunities, brain injury programs and other community support services for people with disabilities. Our programs are funded by revenue from 27 retail stores, grants, fees and financial gifts. Headquartered in Portland, Maine, Goodwill Industries of Northern New England manages retail stores and programs throughout Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. Funded by revenue from retail and recycling operations, grants, fees, and philanthropic investments and gifts.

Board: <http://www.goodwillnne.org/about/staff-directory/board-of-directors/>

Maine Development Foundation (MDF)

295 Water Street, Suite 5, Augusta, ME 04330 Phone: 207-622-6345
FAX: 207-622-6346 EMAIL: mdf@mdf.org

Harold Clossey – President & CEO

The Maine Development Foundation (MDF) is a private, non-partisan membership organization that drives sustainable, long-term economic growth for the State of Maine. MDF's strategic focus is a productive workforce. We believe that a productive worker is one that is educated, healthy, innovative, and engaged in their community and the economy. MDF stimulates new ideas, develops leaders, and provides common ground for solving problems and advancing issues. State and publically funded.

Board: <http://www.mdf.org/board.php>

Maine Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP)

Phone: 207-623-0680 www.mainemep.org 87 Winthrop Street, Augusta, Maine, 04330

Maine MEP is a unique resource for manufacturing and its supply chain in Maine.

We create opportunities for Maine's small and medium sized manufacturers, by helping them become more efficient, productive and globally competitive. We are an organization with a culture of innovation that leverages MEP resources in the application of new ideas to clients, products and processes in pursuit of profits. Competing effectively in the global marketplace of the 21st century requires steady access to information and knowledge applied to innovative strategies. Lots of it. Every day. Whether your customers are across town or across time zones. That means where you turn for help could be the most crucial business decision you make.

The Maine MEP is part of a nationwide network of technical, manufacturing and business specialists linked together by the U.S. Department of Commerce and the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST); the Maine MEP is a unique resource for manufacturing in Maine. Funding comes from federal agencies through grants including: The U.S. Economic Development Administration, and the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment Training Agency.

Board: http://www.mainemep.org/board_members.html

Maine Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC)

403 Hallowell Rd., Pownal, ME 04069 Phone: 207-653-8625

Ernest Gray, Certified Contracting Assistance Specialist (CCAS) Regional Manager egray@emdc.org

The Statewide Maine PTAC program is hosted by Eastern Maine Development Corporation (EMDC). Our professional government procurement technical assistance services are provided by EMDC and our sub recipient, Northern Maine Development Commission to serve Maine and Serving Cumberland and York Counties. Maine PTAC's trained counselors work from offices located throughout the state. If you are interested in making selling to the government part of your company's overall business strategy, our professional staff will give you the technical assistance that you need to get started. Funded through cooperative agreements.

Maine PTAC OFFICE: <http://www.maineptac.org/index.php?id=61>

Maine Small Business Development Centers (SBDC)

501 Forest Avenue Portland, Maine 04103 Telephone: Information (207) 780-4420

State Director: Mark Delisle mark.delisle@maine.edu
www.mainesbdc.org

Maine SBDC State Director: Mark Delisle mark.delisle@maine.edu
Maine SBDC Associate State Director: Carol Papciak cpapciak@usm.maine.edu

For over 30 years, the Maine SBDC has been recognized as a leader in the small business improvement and expansion arenas. The SBDC concept is a simple but effective one: assist small business operators and nascent entrepreneurs through business counseling, training services, information transfer, and resource linkages. Our objective is clear: create and save jobs throughout Maine. Both state and federally funded.

Board: <https://www.mainesbdc.org/index.cfm/spKey/home.about.html>

Manufacturers Association of Maine (MAMe)

386 Bridgton Road Westbrook, Maine 04092 207-854-2153 info@mainemfg.com www.mainemfg.com

The Manufacturers Association of Maine (MAMe) is a 501(c)6 non-profit organization comprised of over 300 companies and 100 students in Maine. We serve our membership by providing education and workforce training, business growth services, cluster initiatives, legislative advocacy, scholarship programs, networking opportunities and industry partnerships. More than 1,800 Maine manufacturing businesses employ more than 50,000 Maine residents. The payroll tops \$2.5 billion and accounts for 14% of wages paid statewide. Funded by state and federal grants.

Board: <http://www.mainemfg.com/about/board-of-directors/>

Women Unlimited

79 Leighton Road Suite 5, Second Floor Augusta, ME 04330 Augusta area: 623-7576 1-800-281-5259

Since its founding in 1988, Women Unlimited has been a strong proponent for Maine citizens entering the trades and earning a livable wage. Originally started as a welfare-to-work program for single mothers, our mission has evolved to improving the economic well being of Maine women, minorities, and disadvantaged workers by providing access to and support in trade, technical, and transportation careers. We have a respected history of quality training and job referral services. Funded through federal and state grants, contracts and charitable donations.

Board: <http://womenunlimited.org/contact-us/board-of-directors/>

Women, Work & Community

Gannett Building, 5th Floor 331 Water Street Augusta, ME 04330-9410 207-621-3440

Carolyn May carolyn.may@maine.edu
(207) 799-5025

Founded in 1978 as a displaced homemakers program through state legislation, Women, Work, and Community is the only statewide women's economic development organization in Maine. We are organized into six regions and serve all 16 Maine counties from 10 Centers and 8 outreach sites.

We are administered by and operate under the educational tax-exempt status of the University of Maine at Augusta/University of Maine System. An Advisory Council appointed by the Governor provides guidance and support.

Funding sources include the State of Maine through the Department of Labor, federal and state contracts and grants; grants from private foundations, individual and corporate donations, and fee for service.

Board: <http://womenworkandcommunity.org/about-us/contact-us/>

Alphabetical Listing of Economic Development Acronyms:

BAM	Bioscience Association of Maine
BxG	Blackstone Accelerates Growth
CEI	Coastal Enterprises, Inc.
DECD	Maine Department of Economic & Community Development
FAME	Finance Authority of Maine
GPACU	Greater Portland Alliance of Colleges and Universities
IBP	Institute for Broadening Participation
Maine DOE	Maine Department of Education
MCCS	Maine Community College System
MCED	Maine Center for Entrepreneurial Development
MDOL	Maine Department of Labor
MeBC	ME Bioscience Collaborative
MEREDA	Maine Real Estate & Development Association
MITC	Maine International Trade Center
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MM	Mobilize Maine
MMSA	Maine Mathematics and Science Alliance
MQC	Maine Quality Centers
MRRA	Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority
MTI	Maine Technology Institute
MVF	Maine Venture Fund
PHA	Portland Housing Authority
RIS	Refugee and Immigration Services
STEM	Maine Pathways to Science/Technology/Engineering/Mathematics
SWIB	Maine State Workforce Investment Board